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# Section 1 - Identification of The Material and Supplier

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**Chemical nature:** Triclopyr is an aryloxyalkanoic acid derivative, present here as an ester.

Trade Name: Searles Tree & Blackberry Killer

**Product Use:** Domestic herbicide for use as described on the product label.

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Poisons Information Centre: Phone 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia

## Section 2 - Hazards Identification

## **Statement of Hazardous Nature**

This product is classified as: Xn, Harmful. Hazardous according to the criteria of SWA.

Not a Dangerous Good according to Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code, IATA and IMDG/IMSBC criteria. However, this is a C1 Combustible Liquid so must be stored and handled as specified in AS 1940 "The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids."

**SUSMP Classification: S6** 

ADG Classification: None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good under the ADG Code.

**UN Number:** None allocated



# GHS Signal word: WARNING.

#### **HAZARD STATEMENT:**

H227: Combustible liquid.

H302: Harmful if swallowed.

## **PREVENTION**

P102: Keep out of reach of children.

P210: Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames and hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P262: Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P264: Wash contacted areas thoroughly after handling.

P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P281: Use personal protective equipment as required.

## **RESPONSE**

P337: If eye irritation persists: seek medical attention.

P352: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P301+P312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.

P301+P330+P331: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P370+P378: In case of fire, use carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam, water fog.

#### **STORAGE**

P410: Protect from sunlight.

P402+P404: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.

P403+P235: Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

#### **DISPOSAL**

P501: Dispose of contents and containers as specified on the registered label.

## **Emergency Overview**

Physical Description & Colour: Clear amber coloured liquid.

**Odour:** Characteristic odour.

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Major Health Hazards: harmful if swallowed.

# Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc,%	TWA (mg/m³)	STEL (mg/m³)
Triclopyr (as butoxyethanol ester)	64700-56-7	50g/L	not set	not set
Ethyl di icinol	111-90-0	to 100	not set	not set

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

The SWA TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that may be equalled (but should not be exceeded) for no longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The term "peak "is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

#### **General Information:**

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this SDS with you when you call.

Inhalation: First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Skin Contact: Wash gently and thoroughly with water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 5 minutes or until chemical is removed.

Eye Contact: No effects expected. If irritation does occur, flush contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 5 minutes or until the product is removed. Obtain medical advice if irritation becomes painful or lasts more than a few minutes. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

Ingestion: If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Wash mouth with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor.

# **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

Fire and Explosion Hazards: This product is classified as a C1 combustible product. There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream on hot liquids. Vapours from this product are heavier than air and may accumulate in sumps, pits and other low-lying spaces, forming potentially explosive mixtures. They may also flash back considerable distances.

Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures.

Extinguishing Media: Suitable extinguishing media are carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam, water fog.

**Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade.

Flash point: 83°C

**Upper Flammability Limit:** 23% (solvent)

**Lower Flammability Limit:** 1.2% **Autoignition temperature:** 204°C

Flammability Class: Flammable Category 4 (GHS), C1 combustible (AS 1940)

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Accidental release: This product is sold in small packages, and the accidental release from one of these is not usually a cause for concern. For minor spills, clean up, rinsing to sewer and put empty container in garbage. Although no special protective clothing is normally necessary because of occasional minor contact with this product, it is good practice to wear impermeable gloves when handling chemical products. In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses and call emergency services.

# Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. Check Section 8 of this SDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

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Storage: Note that this product is combustible and therefore, for Storage, meets the definition of Dangerous Goods in some states. If you store large quantities (tonnes) of such products, we suggest that you consult your state's Dangerous Goods authority in order to clarify your obligations regarding their storage.

Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Some liquid preparations settle or separate on standing and may require stirring before use. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: AS/NZS 1715, Protective Gloves: AS 2161, Occupational Protective Clothing: AS/NZS 4501 set 2008, Industrial Eye Protection: AS1336 and AS/NZS 1337, Occupational Protective Footwear: AS/NZS2210.

#### **SWA Exposure Limits** TWA (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) STEL (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)

Exposure limits have not been established by SWA for any of the significant ingredients in this product.

No special equipment is usually needed when occasionally handling small quantities. The following instructions are for bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs without proper containment systems.

Ventilation: This product should only be used in a well ventilated area. If natural ventilation is inadequate, use of a fan is suggested.

Eye Protection: Eye protection such as protective glasses or goggles is recommended when this product is being used.

Skin Protection: You should avoid contact even with mild skin irritants. Therefore you should wear suitable impervious elbow-length gloves and facial protection when handling this product. See below for suitable material types.

Protective Material Types: We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following materials: rubber. Respirator: Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned above.

Safety deluge showers should, if practical, be provided near to where this product is being used.

# **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties:**

Physical Description & colour: Clear amber coloured liquid.

**Odour:** Characteristic odour.

**Boiling Point:** Solvent boils about 196°C at 100kPa

**Freezing/Melting Point:** No specific data. Liquid at normal temperatures. Volatiles: No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C. **Vapour Pressure:** Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.

**Vapour Density:** No data. Specific Gravity: 1.01 approx Water Solubility: Emulsifiable. pH: No data.

Volatility: Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.

**Odour Threshold:** No data. **Evaporation Rate:** No data. Coeff Oil/water Distribution: No data Autoignition temp: 204°C

# Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity: This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. However, if you have any doubts, contact the supplier for advice on shelf life properties.

Conditions to Avoid: Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, wellventilated area out of direct sunlight.

Incompatibilities: strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidising agents.

Fire Decomposition: Combustion forms carbon dioxide, and if incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Water is also formed. May form nitrogen and its compounds, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen. Occasionally hydrogen cyanide gas in reducing atmospheres. May form hydrogen chloride gas, other compounds of chlorine. Carbon monoxide poisoning produces headache, weakness, nausea, dizziness, confusion, dimness of vision, disturbance of judgment, and unconsciousness followed by coma and death.

**Polymerisation:** This product will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

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# **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

**Ethyl Di Icinol:** LD<sub>50</sub> Oral, Rat 4700mg/kg LD<sub>50</sub> Dermal, Rabbit = 9530mg/kg

An information profile for Triclopyr is available at http://extoxnet.orst.edu/pips/ghindex.html

**Acute toxicity:** The oral  $LD_{50}$  of Triclopyr in rats ranges from 630 to 729 mg/kg , and is over 2000 mg/kg for various amine and ester formulated products. Other oral  $LD_{50}$  values for Triclopyr are 550 mg/kg in the rabbit and 310 mg/kg in the guinea pig. Inhalation of Triclopyr did not affect rats, but inhalation of some of the formulations did cause nasal irritation. A similar result was seen when rabbit eyes were exposed. The technical material had only a slight effect on rabbit eyes, while some formulations caused significant eye irritation.

**Chronic toxicity:** Rats fed diets containing between 3 and 30 mg/kg/day of Triclopyr experienced no ill effects. Male rats fed much higher doses (100 mg/kg/day) had decreased liver and body weight and increased kidney weight. Male mice also showed reduced liver weight but at 60 mg/kg/day. Monkeys fed smaller doses of Triclopyr (20 mg/kg/day) showed no adverse effects.

**Reproductive effects:** Triclopyr fed to rabbits on days 6 to 18 of gestation at doses of 25, 50, and 100 mg/kg/day produced no effects on maternal body weight, litter size, or foetal body weight. Triclopyr does not appear to cause reproductive toxicity.

**Teratogenic effects:** Pregnant rats given moderate to high doses of 50, 100, and 200 mg/kg/day on days 6 to 15 of gestation had offspring with mild foetotoxicity, but no birth defects. These data suggest that Triclopyr is not teratogenic.

**Mutagenic effects:** Triclopyr is nonmutagenic in bacterial and cytogenetic assay systems. Based on these data, Triclopyr is unlikely to be mutagenic.

**Carcinogenic effects:** Rats and mice fed oral doses of Triclopyr at 3 to 30 mg/kg/day for 2 years showed no carcinogenic response. Based on these data, Triclopyr is unlikely to be carcinogenic.

Organ toxicity: Organs affected by exposure to Triclopyr include the kidneys and liver.

**Fate in humans and animals:** Data from animal studies indicate that Triclopyr is rapidly eliminated via the urine as the unchanged parent compound. At higher oral doses, some Triclopyr may be eliminated through the faeces as the absorption capacity of the intestine is exceeded. Reported half-lives for elimination of Triclopyr from mammals are 14 hours (dog) and <24 hours (monkeys).

## **Potential Health Effects**

#### Inhalation:

**Short Term Exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. However product may be mildly irritating, although unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term inhalation.

#### **Skin Contact:**

**Short Term Exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. It should present no hazards in normal use. However product may be irritating, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

Long Term Exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

## Eye Contact:

**Short Term Exposure:** This product may be irritating to eyes, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term eye exposure.

#### Ingestion:

**Short Term Exposure**: Significant oral exposure is considered to be unlikely. Available data shows that this product is harmful, but symptoms are not available. However, this product may be irritating to mucous membranes but is unlikely to cause anything more than transient discomfort.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term ingestion.

## Carcinogen Status:

**SWA:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by SWA. **NTP:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by NTP. **IARC:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

## **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

**Effects on birds:** Triclopyr is slightly to practically nontoxic to birds. The  $LD_{50}$  of the parent compound in the mallard duck is 1698 mg/kg, while the formulated compounds are of lower toxicity. The  $LC_{50}$  in bobwhite quail and Japanese quail fed Triclopyr for 8 days are 2935 ppm and 3278 ppm, respectively.

**Effects on aquatic organisms:** The parent compound and amine salt are practically nontoxic to fish. The compound is practically nontoxic to the aquatic invertebrate Daphnia magna, a water flea, with a reported  $LC_{50}$  for the amine salt

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of 1170 mg/L. The ester formulation has reported 96-hour LC<sub>50</sub> values of 0.74 mg/L and 0.87 mg/L in the rainbow trout and bluegill sunfish, respectively. The compound has little if any potential to accumulate in aquatic organisms.

**Effects on other organisms:** The compound is nontoxic to bees.

**Environmental Fate:** 

Breakdown in soil and groundwater: In natural soil and in aquatic environments, the ester and amine salt formulations rapidly convert to the acid, which in turn is neutralised to a relatively nontoxic salt. It is effectively degraded by soil microorganisms and has a moderate persistence in soil environments.

Breakdown in water: Triclopyr is not readily hydrolysed at pH 5 to 9. Hydrolysis of the ester and the amine salt occurs rapidly and results in formation of Triclopyr. Reported half-lives in water are 2.8 to 14.1 hours, depending on season and depth of water.

Breakdown in vegetation: Triclopyr is readily translocated throughout a plant after being taken up by either roots or the foliage. The estimated half-life in above ground drying foliage as in a forest overstory is 2 to 3 months.

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Disposal: Dispose of small quantities and empty containers by wrapping with paper and putting in garbage. For larger quantities, if recycling or reclaiming is not possible, use a commercial waste disposal service.

# **Section 14 - Transport Information**

UN Number: This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good by ADG, IATA or IMDG/IMSBC criteria. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

## **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredient: Triclopyr, is mentioned in the SUSMP.

#### Section 16 - Other Information

This SDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.

**Acronyms:** 

**ADG Code** Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7<sup>th</sup> edition)

**AICS** Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances Safe Work Australia, formerly ASCC and NOHSC **SWA** Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number CAS number International Agency for Research on Cancer IARC

Not otherwise specified NOS

**NTP** National Toxicology Program (USA)

**R-Phrase** Risk Phrase

**SUSMP** Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines & Poisons

**UN Number United Nations Number** 

THIS SDS SUMMARISES OUR BEST KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD INFORMATION OF THE PRODUCT AND HOW TO SAFELY HANDLE AND USE THE PRODUCT IN THE WORKPLACE. EACH USER MUST REVIEW THIS SDS IN THE CONTEXT OF HOW THE PRODUCT WILL BE HANDLED AND USED IN THE WORKPLACE.

IF CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE RISK ASSESSMENT CAN BE MADE, THE USER SHOULD CONTACT THIS COMPANY SO WE CAN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM OUR SUPPLIERS OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRODUCTS SOLD IS SUBJECT TO OUR STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS, A COPY OF WHICH IS SENT TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

Please read all labels carefully before using product.

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